Pamplin

Pamplin, Aug. 9.- Rev. and Mrs. W. M. Black and Miss Mary Rives Black spent the week-end with relatives in Fluvanna County.

Mr. and Mrs. Z. T. Moran visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Cundiff, of Chatham, last week.

Rev. and Mrs. J. S. Moore and children and Mrs. Paulette, of Amherst visited in the home of the Rev. and Mrs. W. M. Black last week.

Week-end visitors in the home of Mrs. H. T. Terry were Mr. and Mrs. B. A. Chandler and children, of Portsmouth, and Mr. and Mrs. Herman Wingfield ,of Richmond.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Davis spent the week-end in the home of Mrs. Winnie Franklin, of Lynchburg.

Miss Evelyn Jernell, of Richmond spent last week in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Z. T. Moran.

Mrs. Howard Claytor, of Vesuvius visited in the home of the Rev. and Mrs. W. M. Black last week.

Dr. and Mrs. F. H. Lukin and Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Cobb visited in Washington, D. C. last week-end.

Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Fore, of Lynchburg were recent visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Richardson.

Week-end guests in the home of Mrs. R. C. Hughes were Mr. and Mrs. Paul Hughes and son, of Richmond.

COMMENT ON SPORTS

By Pete Fritchie

Washington.- It may not sound scientific but there are certain teams in the Majors which play better against a particular opponent year in and year out. The opposing team may change in the interval, it may become either harder hitting or tighter defensively, but the hex holds.

The cynics say the baseball hex is the bunk—or some of them do—but the psychologists say there is plenty to it. Take the American League last year. Boston couldn't beat Cleveland. Yet Boston was a first division club. Nevertheless, Cleveland whipped them in just about every game—except one or two. It was almost unbelievable.

The Red Sox would sweep a series with the Yankees, who were just as tough, but couldn't win a game in a series with Cleveland.

For many recent years, the Dodgers in the National League have hexed the Cardinals. The Redbirds meet the Bums. They really don't roll over, and try hard to whip Brooklyn, but they are peculiarly futile against the Dodgers.

The Detroit Tigers can tame just about everyone else in the American League, some of the time, but in recent years the Red Sox have had the hex on them. The Tigers lose the big games to the Bosox. They can sweep, or take three of four from Cleveland, Chicago and New York, but they can't do that against the Red Sox.

Ted Williams says he loves Detroit pitching, and that is probably the answer in this case. But other jinxes are unexplainable. The Yankees have had many teams whammied in their day. They used to have Cleveland buffaloed to a tee. The Indians would get going in great fashion and then meet New York, and the Yanks always deflated them.

Not so any longer. Washington always plays better against the Indians than they should. The Giants play better against Brooklyn than they do against other teams. The Braves lose the key games to Brooklyn, usually, but who doesn't? The White Sox have the sign on the Senators but good, as do the Tigers.

Psychology has a lot to do with baseball, no doubt about it. A good hex is something nice to have going for you. But sometimes it takes years to overcome it.

MOTHER HYPNOTIZED

Dallas, Texas.- Mrs. Edward Schwartz, polio victim, whose legs and breathing muscles are paralyzed, recently gave birth to a baby boy, after doctors had hypnotized her. They were unable to administer drugs because of her paralyzed condition.

NEWS from HOLLYWOOD

Twentieth Century Fox has signed Joseph Cotten to a term picture and television contract, under which he will make one theatrical film a year and will serve as master of ceremonies on the company's new television series, "The TCF Hour."

The first group of candidates for "movie bests" which will be voted on by the movie-going public between November 17 and 25 at movie theatres throughout the country, was recently announced. We list the candidates below. Select your own "bests" from among them and see how you rate when the final selections are announced.

The promising young personalities are: Ann Bancroft, Dorothy Dandridge, Anne Frances, Dorothy Malone, Cleo Moore, Rita Moreno, Lori Nelson, Kim Novak, Barbara Rush, and May Wynn (listed alphabetically.) Also: Harry Belafonte, Richard Egan, John Ericson, Tab Hunter, Brian Keith, Jack Lemmon, George Nader, Jack Palance, Russ Taneblyn and Gig Young.

The ten "best pictures" selected so far out of the final group of twenty, were listed as: "The Bridges at Toko-ri," "Battle Cry," "Blackboard Jungle," "The Country Girl," "The Long Grey Line," "Rear Window," "Sabrina," "A Star is Born," "There's No Business Like Show Business," and "White Christmas."

Named for best performance by actresses were: June Allyson in "A Woman's World," Dorothy Dandridge in "Carmen Jones," Doris Day in "Young at Heart," Ava Gardner in "The Barefoot Contessa," Judy Garland in "A Star is Born," Susan Hayward in "Untamed," Audrey Hepburn in "Sabrina," Grace Kelly in "Country Girl," Maureen O'Hara in "The Long Grey Line," and Elizabeth Taylor in "The Last Time I Saw Paris."

Leaders among the actors were: Marlon Brando in "Desiree," Gary Cooper in "Vera Cruz," Bing Crosby in "Country Girl," Glenn Ford in "Blackboard Jungle," William Holden in "The Bridges of Toko-ri," Burt Lancaster in "Vera Cruz," James Mason in "A Star is Born," Tyrone Power in "The Lo[ng Grey] Line," James Stewart in [...] Window," and Spencer T[racy in] "Bad Day at Black Rock."

CUMBERLAND PLANS FIRST VEHICLE TAX

An ordinance that would [...] county tax on motor vehicle[s for the] first time in Cumberland Co[unty has] been proposed at a meeting [of the] Cumberland Board of Sup[ervisors].

A public hearing on the [...] will be held October 7. If a[dopted] the tax would provide $5,00[...] 000 in additional yearly rev[enue to] Cumberland County. The [...] ordinance calls for a $5 an[...] on automobiles and trucks [...] including one ton. For truc[ks over] one ton, the tax would be [...]

There are an estimated [...] motor vehicles in Cumberl[and Coun]ty.

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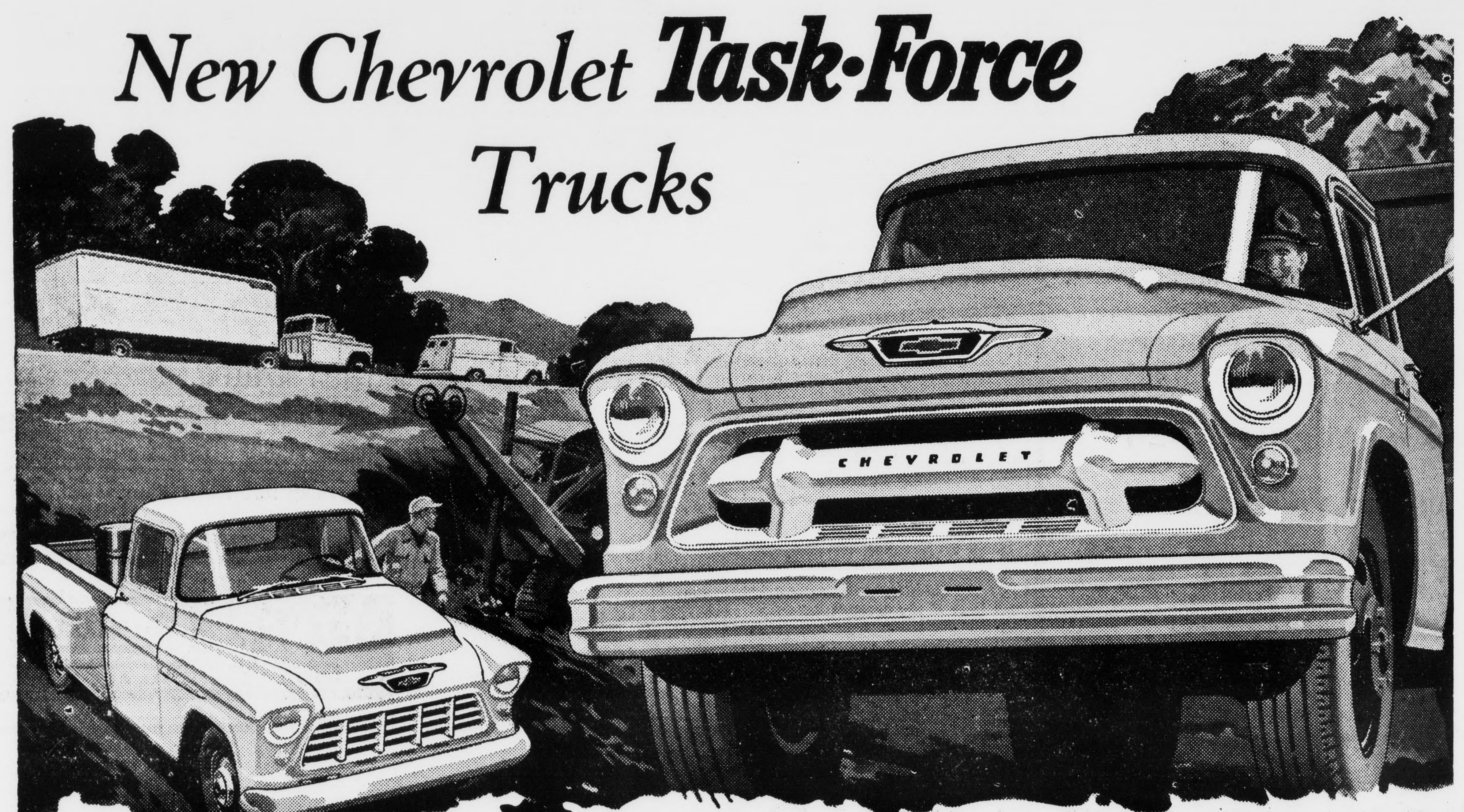

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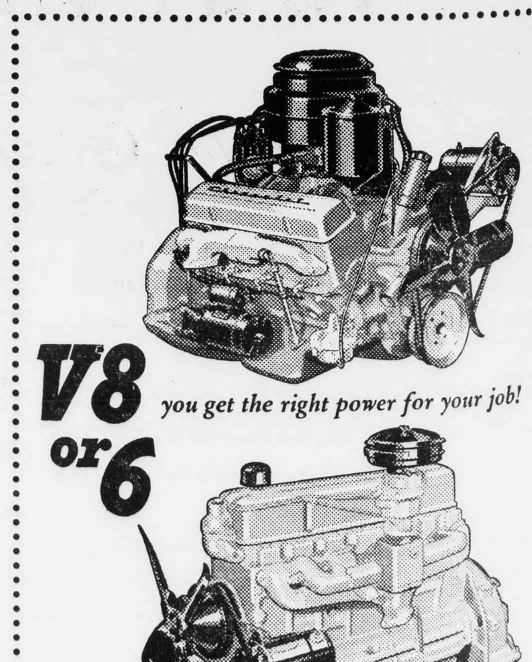

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Ask Bids For New Highway Office

A new building to house the State Highway Residency office here will be erected this fall. Bids have been asked for the project, and will be opened at 10 A. M., August 24.

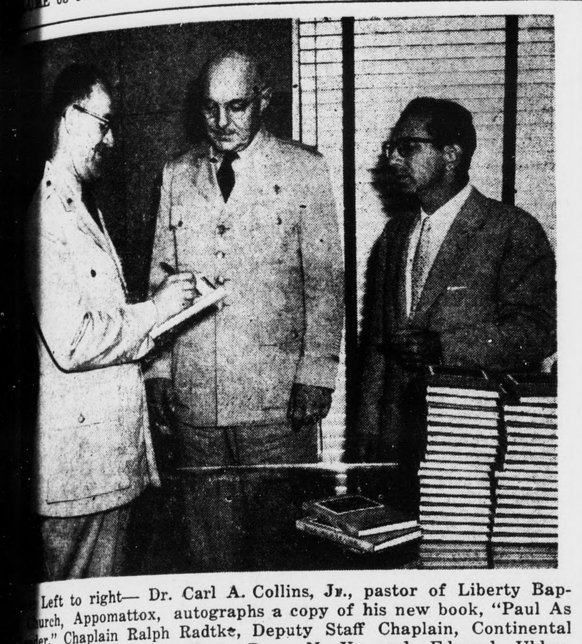
The State Highway Residency is now located in a rented building on Atwood Street in the town of Appomattox.

The new building will be located on the front corner of the present State Highway Shop property, on State Road 1003, near the new elementary school.

The building will be of colonial block design, of two stories with full basement. It will include a heating system and will be air-conditioned. It will have ample offices for the residency staff and will also have a large conference room.

It is understood that the contract will call for the project to be completed within 150 days after letting of the contract.

The building for the Appomattox Residency is one of five such buildings to be put up by the State Highway Department for residencies. The Appomattox Residency serves Appomattox and Campbell Counties.



Left to right— Dr. Carl A. Collins, Jr., pastor of Liberty Baptist Church, Appomattox, autographs a copy of his new book, "Paul As Leader." Chaplain Ralph Radtke, Deputy Staff Chaplain, Continental Air Command, Mitchel Air Force Base, N. Y., and Edward Uhlan, President, Exposition Press, of New York, publishers of the book. For review of this book, see page 4.

Diane Leaves 4.4 In. of Rain

"Hurricane Diane" turned out to be a tremendous rainstorm by the time it reached Appomattox. The winds were negligible, but Diane left a total of 4.44 inches of rain here during the 24 hour period, 8 A. M. Wednesday to 8 A. M. today. This measurement was reported by W. S. Taylor, official weather reporter here for the U. S. Weather Bureau.

This downpour of 4.44 inches of rain in one 24-hour period was the heaviest here in several years, and brought the total rainfall for the month of August to 8.30 inches.

Hurricane Connie had deposited 1.75 inches of rain on Appomattox the previous week-end.

Unlike Diane, Connie did pack a considerable volume of wind, and as a result some damage was done to corn and tobacco crops. The corn crop can be saved, but harvesting will be difficult due to the beaten down condition of the ear-laden stalks. Some damage was reported in tobacco fields, from twisting and tearing in the high winds.

Even at that, Appomattox came through both storms better than some other localities, and better than in the tussle last year with Hurricane Hazel. Damage to tobacco was heavy in some Southside Virginia counties last week-end, and localities including Blackstone and Richmond, had great downpours of rain.

Trial Justice Court Had 43 Cases on Wed. Docket

In what was close to a record for one day's business, the trial Justice court of Appomattox County disposed of 43 cases yesterday. Most of the cases were traffic offenses. In addition to that volume, trial justice, C. F. P. Crawley heard a number of civil matters to round out a very busy day. The big docket drew a large number of people to the court house.

Voting Places Are Named For ASC Election

There will be five voting places in Appomattox County on August 26, when farmers elect ASC community committeemen to serve the year beginning September 1, 1955, the Appomattox ASC County Office Manager has announced. Community boundary lines will conform to magisterial district lines.

For Stonewall District, the polls will be open at Herndon's Store during the morning hours from 8:00 A. M. until 12:00 noon, and at Oakville voting precinct during afternoon hours from 1:00 P. M. until 5:00 P. M.

For Clover Hill District, the polls will be open at the jail at the Old Court House during the morning hours from 8:00 A. M. until 12:00 noon, and at Hix's Store at Hixburg during the afternoon hours from 1:00 P. M. until 5:00 P. M.

For Southside District, the polls will be open at the ASC office from 8:00 A. M. until 4:00 P. M.

Farmers will vote for five persons —either those listed as nominees, or others whose names may be written in on blank spaces on the ballot.

Farmers are eligible to vote who are of legal voting age, and who have an interest in a farm on which one of the approved ACP practices is being carried out this year, or who are eligible for a cooperator's loan or other price supports. In addition, persons under voting age may vote if they are in charge of farming operations on the entire farm. Tenants and sharecroppers may vote if they are otherwise eligible.

All farmers are urged to vote. Committeemen will have important roles in the administration of ACP, Marketing Quota and Price Support programs. ASC programs are of vital importance to almost every farmer in this county, and the necessity of having good committeemen to administer these programs cannot be overemphasized.

Father Darkleaf

By c. h. r.

the wall over our office type- is a picture of the handsome Robert Burns. He is the poet wrote the lines, "The best laid o' mice an' men gang aft " (To A Mousie). How true that things don't always work the way you had planned them. ally last week-end, when we planned our annual safari to Head, N. C. Hurricane Connie said plans to be revised, and time we thought of heading the caverns at Luray. Actually to Luray, but kept on and Friday night in Winchester. day morning we pressed on and our first visit to Harper's Ferry. 's chat about Harper's Ferry. decided to check into the story of John Brown. First, ached Charles Town, W. Va., John Brown was tried. We that Charles Town was more ted in horse racing, but we the court house where the Abolitionist was tried.

see, the American Civil War preceded by years of agitation the slavery issue. Slavery was ed in Prussia in 1702, in Den- in 1766 and in the hereditory of the German Emperor in The slavery issue was fanned white heat in the mid-century of the 1800's. Uncle Tom's appeared in 1852. But it was atic event of October 17, that brought matters to a That would be John Brown's upon Harper's Ferry, then in ginia, now in West Virginia.

itter of heart had been John —of Ossawatomie, Kansas. His was filled with fights. He moved Kansas to Iowa and finally to ginia. Slowly and quietly, he col- ted arms and followers. It was all so quietly that no one paid any tion until like a flame-red he acted. His band of hardly ore of men rode into Harper's y and captured the Federal Ar- and threw a cordon of rifle- across the tracks of the Balti- and Ohio Railroad. The east- night passenger train slowed scheduled stop and minutes la- conductor A. J. Phelps and en- er William McKay found their surrounded by armed men. In darkness a shot was fired, and tion Porter Hayward Sheppard dying. In the following wild ing, Station Master Fontaine ham was killed. Others were ded, but the train got away at and the conductor notified ore. After an exchange of al telegrams, B & O president W. Garrett notified the Secre- of War, John B. Floyd. To quell uprising, Floyd ordered a de- ment of 90 Marines under Col. ert E. Lee. John Brown and his owers were captured. Brown was d in the court house at Charles on Dec. 2, 1859, and hanged. is believed that his plan had been arm the slaves.

coln's Cooper Union speech was shortly later and he was voted the Presidency in 1860. South olina seceded. In Feb., 1861, Lin- set out from Springfield for White House. Jeff Davis was ed President of the quickly or-

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Attendance Is Up At The McLean House

A total of 718 more persons visited the historic McLean House at Old Appomattox Court House in July this year than in July, 1954. Paid admissions were up 389, for the month. School children do not pay to enter the McLean House.

The figures, as reported yesterday by the National Park Service here were:

McLean House visitors, July 1955 4,163
No visitors, July, 1954 3,445
Paid admissions, July 1955 .. 2,998
Paid admissions, July, 1954 .. 2,609

A twenty-five admission fee was set up for the McLean House as of July 1, 1954. Since then there have been more than 15,000 paid admissions.

Admissions at the McLean House represent only a part of the number of visitors at the Old Court House area, where many tourists go to the Museum in the Tavern and other restored historic sites. This has been one of the best years the area has had. Many school groups and tour groups visit the spot where peace was made ending the War Between the States on April 9, 1865.

Sheriff's Office Here Run At Low Expense

In a survey of the costs of operating local government offices in Virginia, made by the Richmond News Leader last week, it was revealed that the office of the Appomattox County Sheriff was run at a less than average cost to the taxpayers. The Richmond paper set up a scale of "par" figures, and found that the total cost of the Appomattox Sheriff's office, including salary of sheriff and deputy, was only "90 per cent of par." Similar figures reported in this paper last week for other Appomattox county offices showed that all were "in line" with "par" figures, although there was a variation in other counties of the state.

Jaycees Met Monday Night

Al Newman, of Danville, a national director of the state Jaycees, Gene Sharpe, a state vice president, and Charlie Markham, a past president of the Bedford Jaycee chapter, were guests at a meeting of the Appomattox County Junior Chamber of Commerce Monday evening in the cafeteria of the Appomattox Garment Company. Two new members, Charles Norfleet, and Lloyd Bryant were inducted into the local chapter at this time.

Billy Conner, Richard Wingfield and H. H. Caldwell, Jr., of the Appomattox chapter, plan to attend a Jaycee quarterly work conference in Richmond August 26-28.

A movie film, in color, was shown of laying of pipeline during the summer operation here for Transcontinental Natural Gas Pipeline Corp.

Directors Of Farmers Union Met August 12

The directors of the Appomattox County Farmers Union met at the court house on August 12 at 8:00 P. M Martin E. Kraus, seacretary and treasurer, reported that the purpose of this meeting was to discuss the location of a grain elevator in the vicinity of Lynchburg or Altavista. He stated that such an elevator would serve Farmers Union members of several counties, with a capacity of 400,000 bushels and fully equipped in every way. Fertilizers were also placed in line as a Farmer's Union foundation. Kraus said that Virginia is one of six states selected to receive fertilizer stations in 1956. National Farmer's Union now has all necessary raw materials, Mr. Kraus reported, and will soon be able to furnish fertilizers. He pointed to Farmer's Union insurance as another service.

AMERICAN LEGION TO MEET MONDAY

A regular meeting of Post 104, American Legion will be held Monday night.

California Explorer Scouts Visited Here on Tour

Appomattox was visited last week by a group of nine Explorer Scouts from California, who were on a 10,000 mile motor tour.

The Chamber of Commerce of Newport Beach, California, furnished a car and bore all expenses for the Explorer Scouts to go on a tour of America. The project was in connection with the 50th anniversary of the town. Goodwill advertisements from California and from places visited by the Scouts made the car a most interesting sight. The group came to Appomattox to see the McLean House and other historic sites.

Softball League Ends With A Three-Way Tie

Regular season play in the local softball league ended in a three-way tie for first place, and a play-off series will be necessary between the Transco, Appomattox Garment Co. and Western Auto teams.

Play-offs for the first half of the schedule are now in progress, with Oakville shutting out Western Auto, 5 to 0 in the first game, played on Tuesday night.

At the conclusion of the first half paly-offs, Western Auto will meet Transco in a best two of three series and then the Garment Co. team will play the winner of this series, also for the best two of three, to decide the winner of the second half.

The championship will be decided by a best two of three series between first and second half winners.

Standings

	W	L
Garment Company	9	6
Transco	9	6
Western Auto	9	6
Oakville	8	7
Sinclair	7	8
Jamerson	3	12

Results: W. Auto 5, Transco 3; Sinclair 7, Oakville 4; Jamerson 10 Sinclair 6; Oakville 15, W. Auto 7; Garment Co. 9, Transco 8.

150 Boy Scouts Visited McLean House

Four chartered busses, with 150 Boy Scouts aboard visited Old Appomattox Court House yesterday, and took in the McLean House, the National Park Service Museum, and other historic sites. The Boy Scouts were from North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia and Florida, and were en route to the World Boy Scout Jamboree in Ontario, Canada.

MR. CHARLES BRANCH DIXON

Gladstone, Aug. 11.- Charles Branch Dixon, 45, died in a Staunton hospital today after an illness of one week.

Born in Appomattox County May 1, 1910, he was a son of William A. and Virginia S. Pankey Dixon. He was a retired lineman of the Chesapeake and Ohio Railroad. He was a member of the Maple Grove Baptist Church here.

Surviving are his wife, Mrs. Grace Robertson Dixon; and a brother George Dixon, of Appomattox.

Funeral services were held Saturday at 3 P. M. at Maple Grove Church by the pastor, the Rev. W. H. O'Neal, with burial in the church cemetery. Active pallbearers were: Garland Hunter, Charlie Goff, Hubert McCormick, Dick Childress, Norton Phelps and Archie Hughes.

County Health Department Releases Its Annual Report

The annual report of the Appomattox County Health Department was released this week and showed a variety of activities handled by the agency. It covered the fiscal year July 1, 1954 to June 30, 1955.

Reviewing the work of the department, it was noted that it is the goal of the Health Department to get every child immunized against diphtheria, whooping cough, and tetanous with the triple antigen at two to three months of age. Immunizations, blood tests, etc., are available at the Health Department every Wednesday morning A number of families take their children to their family physicians for immunizations, but the following were done in the Health Department the past year:

Diphtheria, 237
Pertussis, 230.
Tetanus Toxoid, 233.
Smallpox Vaccination, 130.

The first dose of the Salk Vaccine was given to 409 first and second grade school children. This was 95% of the total enrollment.

There were two cases of polio during the fiscal year, both occurring in August, 1954. One was non-paralytic. The other had some muscle weakness but with physiotherapy treatments and his own determination, he is regaining full use of muscles.

There were two Orthopedic Clinics available to the children in the county, each held monthly, one in Lynchburg and the other in Farmville. Any polio case, cerebarl palsy, or other crippled child, who may be benefitted is eligible.

There are forty crippled children under supervision at this time.

There are twelve rheumatic fever cases under supervision.

There are thirty-three cases, five in a sanatorium, and twenty-two suspected cases of tuberculosis under supervision. Total home visits in tubeculosis cases and contacts numbered 369. Two 14 x 17 X-ray clinics were held and 257 individuals were x-rayed.

Only six new cases of venereal disease were reported during the fiscal and the department states that this disease has been reduced to a minimum.

Six pre-school clinics were held for children starting to school in September. One hundred and thirteen children were examined with a parent present.

The Health Department praised physicians, school officials, and volunteer individuals in the county for

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Local News In Brief

Lions Club To Sponsor Watermelon Feast

The Appomattox Lions Club will sponsor a Watermelon Feast at the Town Ball Park, from 7 to 9:30 P. M. on Friday night, August 26. In event of rain, the event will take place Saturday night. Watermelon will be sold by the slice.

Orange C. 4-H'ers Had Picnic Here

Orange County 4-H Club members visited Appomattox last week and enpoyed a picnic at the Old Court House.

At Town Council Meeting

A large delegation of citizens appeared at the regular meeting of the Appomattox Town Council Monday night to voice complaint about discolorization of the town water supply.

Meeting of Defenders Called Friday Night

There will be a meeting of The Defenders of State Sovereignty and Individual Liberties at the local court house Friday night. All members and other interested citizens are invited to attend.

Carnival Ordinance Is Still in Effect

The Times-Virginian has been requested to advise the public that the county ordinances concerning carnivals is still in effect and force. For that reason it is not likely that carnivals will appear in the county, as the ordinance imposes rather high taxes on same.

MEETING OF I.P.T.A.Y. CLUB

There will be a meeting of the I. P. T. A. Y. ("I Pay Ten A Year) Club on Friday night at the local high school auditorium.

PAMPLIN TO BE IN LEAGUE PLAY-OFFS

Pamplin will be in the play-offs of the Patrick Henry baseball league, ending the regular schedule in third place. Others in the play-offs are Henry's Mill, Brookneal and Altavista. Pamplin will play two exhibition games with Farmville this week-end, playing at Farmville Saturday night and at Pampiln Sunday at 3:00 P. M. The league play-offs will begin the following week-end.

BUSINESS MEETING OF APPOMATTOX HOME DEMONSTRATION CLUB

A business meeting of the Appomattox Home Demonstration Club was held in the home of Mrs. C. G. O'Brien Tuesday, August 16. Plans were made for the coming year.

Harry Green Speaker At Next Lions Club Meeting

John Cole, program chairman of the Appomattox Lions Club, announced today that Harry Green, of Lynchburg, would be the guest speaker at the August 25 meeting of the local club. Mr. Green is president of Phillips Secretarial College, and an active member of the Lynburg Lions Club. He is being presented here by the Information and Education Committee of the Appomattox Club, of which George Abbitt is chairman. The August 25 meeting will be held at 6:45 P. M.